

IN SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES,

DECEMBER 20, 1820.

Mr. WILLIAMS, of Tennessee, from the Committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred the petition of Horatio Stark,

REPORTED:

That the petitioner states, in his petition, he was appointed an officer in the army of the United States in the year 1801, and served until the year 1815, when he was disbanded on the reduction of the army; that he received, as a donation from the government, three months' pay, &c. whilst other officers received the same sum who had not served in the army as long as he had; upon this ground the petitioner prays that Congress will give him the right of entering one thousand acres of land at the minimum price. The committee can perceive no merits in the services of the petitioner which are not common to many of the officers who were disbanded at the close of the late war, and are of opinion, that it would be inexpedient to make any provision on this subject; and, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

